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To the Director.

The American ambassador in BERNE has passed the following information to the State Department (telegrams of [1 group unrecovered][a] and **th August[b], copies of which were passed on by Source No. 12):

1. Aircraft production in July dropped to 1200. In May it was 1600. In June 1400. The cause of the drop was given as bombing, transport difficulties and a fall in the productivity of labour. It is also indicated that since April losses at the fronts have exceeded output and depot reserves are exhausted.

2. Lack of fuel has led to an immediate drop in the scales of flying hours for training pilots.

3. Tank production - January 1500, May **0[c], June **0[d], July **0[e]. Tanks [3 groups unrecovered] - January 200, February 230, March 250, April 238, May 230, June 211, July (estimated figure) 200. Up to 1st June 1943 according to the plan output should have been 2500, actually it was 1148.

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4. Turkey up to [1 group unrecovered] [C% had] delivered to Germany only 13,000 tons of chrome instead of the 20,000 which should have been [3 groups unrecovered].

Note to the diagram: "The Turkish [C% Minister] [5 groups unrecovered] to put all possible obstacles in the way of deliveries of chrome ore to Germany. As Turkey badly needs the country's goods [4 groups unrecovered] deliveries of chrome [5 groups unrecovered]."

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T.N.: [a] A date. Approximately 31st July or 1st August.
[b] Between 1st and 12th August.
[c] 850, 900 or 950.
[d] 750, 800 or 850.
[e] 800, 850 or 900.

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